

MARYLAND HOPES TO KEEP HONORS

Big Cruisers Of Fleet All Ready For Test

The crew of the cruiser Maryland, Captain James C. Gilmore, who at present holds the fleet championship for record target practice, and the coveted yellow ribbon, will do everything in their power to retain the honor this year at Manila Bay.

Chief Gunner David Farragut Diggins, one of the best gunners in the navy, is doing all in his power to have everything in readiness for the practice, and when asked this morning what he thought about the results replied that there was nothing to it.

"We are going to retain the honor we at present hold in target practice this year if possible, and if hard work and constant drilling will attain the end we hope to gain, the Maryland will still hold the trophy after the scores are made up late this year."

Advance Coaling.

On account of the Colorado not going out with the fleet on Monday, what coal she requires for the trip to Nale's Harbor will probably be taken on board next week before the fleet returns. As the other ships will require a large amount of coal, the fuel saved by the Colorado will mean a great item to the department. It is almost certain that she will remain alongside of the naval wharf instead of going to an anchorage outside, until the return of the fleet on the 25th.

Hero Is Modest.

Coxswain Shanahan of the Tennessee, who will be presented with the special medal authorized by the Navy Department for bravery in saving the life of a fellow shipmate, is very loath to talk about his brave deed.

Shanahan when asked this morning to give an account of his rescue replied: "There is nothing to tell, as I only did what I considered was my duty."

Officers to Seek "Pele."

The officers of the First Division who will make the trip to the volcano next Thursday are looking forward very much to the trip, as they have all wanted a chance to see the great volcano in action.

Some of the officers have seen it before, but everyone who has been there has asked to be allowed to visit it again. Probably one hundred and fifty officers will be in the party that will go up from Hilo on Thursday afternoon.

Duties lessened.

In keeping with the spirit of the public holiday today, Admiral Sebree has issued orders that outside of the necessary work, the men under his command will be given a holiday so that they can join with the local people in making the day a pleasant one.

The morning quarters aboard ship are something that can't be dispensed with, but this morning they were cut as short as possible. Certain work on ships that is absolutely necessary must be done before the men can have shore leave, and by 10:20 this morning everything was completed so as to give the men a chance to witness the races.

very fierce were the little demsels when the possibility of their brothers being defeated by the rival club was suggested.

The grown-up girls looked just as sweet as their younger sisters, and were just as keen on the chances of some one else's brother winning a race as were the tots about their big brothers.

Soon after 8:30 this morning the waterfront began to take on a very active look. Streams of people, all in holiday mood, dropped off car and out of automobile and hack; all the world and his wife seemed to be present. The vantage points along the docks were crowded with gaily dressed men, women and children. Everybody was out to enjoy themselves, and once the racing started the enthusiasm was great.

The Myrtle and Healanis colors were everywhere in evidence, and the crowd seemed about evenly divided on the proposition as to which club was the favorite.

The popular boat club premises were crowded with members and friends; the club houses were decorated with flags and bunting and looked very well. The members were very cordial to visitors, and everyone was made to feel at home.

The yacht Hawaii was anchored off the old Kinaiu wharf, and a big party of local people were on board her. The judges had an easy task in most of the races, but some were very close and called for a lot of judgment. The canoe races were very exciting, and the spectators became worked up to a great state of enthusiasm over them. There was a stiff breeze blowing, and the sailing outrigger canoes made fast time over the courses.

The day was an ideal one for regatta, and the big crowd that turned out enjoyed itself to the limit. Many country people were to be seen along the waterfront and in the launches that flitted across the harbor. The veterans of the rowing game were to be seen at the boat clubs, and they took the greatest interest in the doings of the present generation of oarsmen.

The yacht Hawaii was comfortably filled with a bunch of officials and newspapermen. Commodore Wilder was in charge and a number of fleet officers were on board the yacht.

Representatives Thomas and Rodenberg of the Congressional party were interested spectators of the various events. Admiral Beckley was also in evidence and his expert opinion on the abilities of the various crews was listened to with interest.

Through the courtesy of Chief Boatswain Shepley of the Naval Station, the station launch has been placed at the disposal of the press, and during the morning has made frequent trips ashore from the judges' boat.

From Admiral Sebree down every officer and man in the fleet is waiting with patience the results of the races for the boats belonging to the fleet. The several crews have been doing hard work all this week getting in shape for the hard pull this afternoon, and the results of both service races are being looked forward to by all in the fleet.

The Tennessee crew seems to be the most likely one to win in the race for twelve-oared service cutters, while the South Dakota's crew is expected to win easily in the twelve-oared racing cutter race.

Another race being looked forward to is the race for ships' launches under strict service conditions.

Keen Open House.

All day long the Myrtle and Healanis clubs have had their houses filled with visitors, and gaiety has reigned supreme.

At each club quintet clubs have been playing for those who cared to enjoy the light fantastic, while others have taken advantage of the beautiful day to sit outside and talk.

In spite of their sweeping victories, the Myrtle members have been entertaining their Healanis rivals as if they were the defeated ones, and good fellowship has been the order of the day. Light refreshments have been served during the day at both clubs, and everyone has tried to make every one else happy.

Shortly before 10 o'clock the MYRTLE six-oared crew took the water

and started down the harbor for the starting line amid tremendous cheers from the people along the front who were stationed at every vantage point.

The crew looked very fit, and the Myrtle supporters on board the Hawaii seemed to feel very confident.

A few minutes after the Myrtle crew took the water the Healanis left their club house float, feeling as if they were winners. The crowd seemed to be equal in their feeling for both crews, with possibly a feeling in favor of the Myrtles.

The crowd seemed to be uneasy about the first race for navy steam launches, until the word was passed that it would either be postponed or run this afternoon.

Promptly at 10:12 the starting gun was fired for the senior race, and immediately the crowd began to cheer for their favorites. First it was "Go, you Healanis," then "Oh, you Myrtles!" and by the time the crews reached the Hawaii the air was full of cheering and every available noise under the sun.

As the crews reached the Hawaii the Myrtles were rowing 33 strokes to the minute, while the Healanis were keeping up a steady 28 to the minute.

The Myrtles were leading by at least 1/2 length and a half when the judges' boat was passed, and by the time that the Myrtle boat house was reached the lead had been increased to at least five lengths.

Up to the spray buoy the Myrtles steadily increased their lead, and by the time the turn was made the Myrtles were a good 15 lengths to the lead. After the crew had straightened out for the stretch home, the Healanis were being beaten at every stroke, and by the time the finish line was reached the Myrtles were easily 25 lengths ahead.

The correct time for the race was Myrtles, 15 minutes 7 1/2 seconds; Healanis, 16 minutes flat.

Kaimookalani, Lei Ilima, Aa, Kalei and Nianiani started and after a fine race down from the start, the Aa, entered by the Outrigger Club, won by four lengths. It was a fight for second place and the Kaimookalani got the decision by a foot from the Nianiani. Time 6:33 1/2.

Freshman Six Oared Barge.

The Myrtles and Healanis started in this event. The start was a good one and the Myrtles started off at 29 strokes per minute. Within 100 yards of the start the Myrtles got in the lead and at the turning post were several lengths ahead. The Healanis listed a lot in their stroke but made fast time through the water. The turn was made in 5:25 and the final result was that the Myrtles won by twenty lengths, in the good time of 11:46 1/2; Healanis 12:34. The winners looked fresh at the finish and cheered their opponents.

Sullivan and Oss represented the Healanis and Lyle and Padekin the Myrtles. The start was a good one and both pairs kept level for half the distance. Then the Myrtles forged ahead and slowly gained. Lyle and Padekin worked up a good pace and 100 yards from the finish were a length ahead. The Myrtle crew gained another length the rest of the journey and eventually won by two lengths. Time 1:39 1/2.

Myrtles were represented by Ted Coster and J. Macaulay; the Healanis by Kamaka and Fuller. The start was a good one and both crews struck the water at 26 for the first minute. The Myrtles got a slight advantage after 200 yards had been covered and shortly afterward took the lead and won by three lengths. Time 1:44 1/2.

Six starters—Lei Ilima, Kaimookalani, Flying Fish, Aa, Kalei and Nianiani. The Aa took the lead at the start, closely followed by the Flying Fish. At half way the Fish forged ahead and the final result was the Aa first, Nianiani second and Kaimookalani third. It was a close race and the winner came in one length ahead of the second boat. Time 7:22 1/2.

Four-Paddle Canoe (Modern).

Only three started—Good Time Lunkila and Makai Fine and they finished in that order. It was a good race and the winners won by one length. There was only one boat between second and third. Time 1:57.

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Transit cars were packed with daintily frocked girls. They all looked their best, and Honolulu people know what that means; pretty little misses with their hats adorned with the colors of the Myrtle and Healanis Boat Clubs sat side by side and debated the chances of brother Charley's crew winning the race. And