

PLANS FOR BIG REVIVAL OF HAWAIIAN AQUATIC SPORTS

A determined effort is to be made to revive aquatic sport among the Hawaiians, and in this movement the flourishing Kamahameha Aquatic Club will take the lead.

In this connection H. Gregson, the trainer and manager of the crack Kamehameha Aquatic Club crew, which swept the board at the recent regatta, said this morning that the crew contemplated issuing an open challenge for a six-paddle ancient canoe race for a trophy and the championship of the islands, to be contested either in the harbor or at Waikiki on the Fourth of July.

The crews at which the challenge will be particularly be aimed are the Outrigger Club, Dr. Wall's; the formidable Kalihi crew, captained by Sam Kaluwahine; Lii's crew from Moanalua, and A. M. Brown's famous Alabama aggregation of paddlers.

Gregson stated this morning that the race should be for a trophy,

purely and simply, and that the Kamehameha aquatics wished to race for glory rather than cash.

"We want to get a new element into the club," said Gregson, "which will infuse new life into the organization. It is our intention in time to erect a suitable clubhouse and canoe shelter and to build a wharf in Kalihi harbor which shall advertise the fact that in the harbor there is a two and a half mile canoe course which is the best to be found in the islands.

"We also hope to obtain a shell and a barge in which to practice rowing, and with which to regain the laurels once held by the Leilanis, an all-Hawaiian crew of fifteen years ago, which competed with varying success against the Myrtle and Healani crews. The Kamehameha Aquatic Club wants to compete in the regatta day races in the harbor and there are a number of prominent people who have promised their assistance in the matter."