

Duke Kahanamoku And Bill Rice May Have Olympic Chance

Dr. Hand, than whom there are few better judges of athletic merit in Honolulu, would very much like to see both Duke Kahanamoku and Bill Rice sent to the Coast to participate in the try-outs for the next Olympian games to be held in Sweden next year.

"I would suggest," said Hand, this morning, "that the local aquatic men get together and arrange for Duke to swim a hundred yards trial against reliable watches in an attempt to equal his record of 55 2-5 seconds made last August.

"A swimmer is always consistent and I believe that Kahanamoku, even if he did not equal his record-breaking performance, would come so close to his previous best time as to warrant his being sent to the mainland. It would be up to the people of Honolulu to pay the expenses of the trip but I feel sure that there would be little difficulty about this, taking into consideration the valuable advertising which would accrue to Hawaii from such a trip.

Rice May Have a Chance.

"I would also like to see Bill Rice given a chance to see what he can really do in the hundred. Rice is

much under-rated, in my opinion. He has done 10 1-5 for the hundred time and time again and can do it any old time before all the watches in town. He has done even time on two occasions, but this time has been questioned.

"The trouble with Bill is that he is a slow starter but when he does get going he is a flyer. There is no one in Honolulu fast enough to make him exert himself and I am sure that we have never seen the best of him yet.

"I would like to see Rice run with a 10 1-5 man, say Manoha of the Kamehameha Schools, giving the latter a handicap of say, five yards. This would make him run to his best notch. He has said that he would willingly train for the 100 and 220 yards if there were a chance afforded him through a handicap race of proving just how fast he can sprint. I am firmly convinced that Rice has the goods and that he could deliver them if called upon. I think it would be a splendid thing for Hawaiian athletics if both Kahanamoku and Rice could be sent to the Olympic try-outs and feel certain that both would make good."