

TROUBLE BREWED IN A. A. U. POT

Boat Club Representative Tries To Have Three Organizations Read Out of the H. A. A. A., But Fails in the Attempt

A somewhat tempestuous cup of tea was brewed in the A. A. U. pot yesterday afternoon. The meeting was called primarily for the election of officers of the H. A. A. A. for the coming year, but the club delegates were so busy discussing matters of policy, and trying some new methods of verbal hair pulling that they didn't have time to do any balloting. The pangs of hunger asserted themselves shortly after 6 o'clock, and a motion to adjourn until Tuesday, the 24th, met with universal approval.

The greater part of the meeting was taken up with talk of the eligibility of certain clubs now belonging to the association, for membership. Finally it came to an open showdown, when A. T. Longley, representing the Healaní Yacht and Boat Club, made a motion that the Trail and Mountain Club, the Outrigger Club and the Y. M. C. A. be dropped from the rolls. No one voiced a second, and the plan for eviction died a natural death.

This attempt to read the three clubs out of organized athletics was the sensation of the meeting. It grew out of a long-standing complaint of the boating men that the balance of power in A. A. U. matters was held by delegates from clubs which took little or no active interest in the sports. For example, in the matter of a swimming meet, the T. and M. Club would have an equal vote with either the Healanis, Myrtles or Hui Nalus as to the arrangement of the program, rules, etc.

Longley wanted to know what license the Trail and Mountain organization had to call itself an athletic club, and there was a general snicker when the reply came that it "had an A. A. U. sanction for a walking race." That walking race sanction is getting to be somewhat of a joke, and even Longley, in the white heat of his reform campaign, saw the humor of it.

The Prize List Dispute.

The much-mooted question of cash prizes for Regatta Day came up for discussion, and the delegates argued round in a circle and met themselves coming back again. While it was generally admitted that the A. A. U. had no jurisdiction over rowing, its local representative body, the Hawaiian Amateur Athletic Association, undoubtedly has jurisdiction over the rowing clubs affiliated with it for purposes of other sports. The Tripple A. must keep its hands off the Hawaiian Rowing Association, but it can talk like a father to the Healaní, Myrtle, Puunene and Hui Nalu Clubs. The upshot of yesterday's discussion was the appointment of a committee of three from the H. A. A. A. to confer with the Hawaiian Rowing Association and suggest to the latter body the great desirability of cutting all cash prizes off the regatta list, and substituting trophies, not only in word but in fact. In other words, to plead with the Rowing Association not to let any winners see the color of hard cash. This, of course, would in any event apply only to the canoe, whaleboat and sailing races, there being nothing but cups up for the rowing men.

The committee to which this delicate mission was intrusted is composed of A. T. Longley, Healanis; W. T. Rawlins, Hui Nalus; John F. Soper, Myrtles.

"Speaking for one member of the Rowing Association committee," said J. B. Lightfoot, secretary of the association, this morning. "I will say that I believe the association will be very glad to confer with this committee, and to meet it half way in any reasonable request. The three men whom I understand have been appointed are all reasonable men, who know what they are talking about. I think we can all get together."