

Duke Kahanamoku Would Have Life Savers at Beach

Duke Kahanamoku, champion swimmer, believes that the city of Honolulu needs a life-saving squad at Waikiki beach such as big beaches of the outside world employ during the swimming season each year. He says he would be willing to use his influence to see that good swimmers and men having a knowledge of first-aid rescue work be provided for such a squad.

"The trouble now," says the champion, discussing the question, "is that while there are always a number of good swimmers at the beach during the daytime when people are in the water, yet a drowning might easily occur without their knowing of it.

"I recall one time," he says, "when there was a drowning at the beach. We saw the fellow go under out by the Moana pier raft, but all of us thought he was faking and so paid no more attention until it was too late. A life-saver employed there steadily would have known the man was drowning."

Duke says that he would place the life-saving stand at the water's edge about where the concrete pier juts out between the Moana and the Outrigger grounds, and that he would have it high enough to look out over the water conveniently as in Australia.