

LIFE SAVING TO BE TAUGHT HERE BY FULLARD LEO

Royal Life Saving Society to Form Branch in Honolulu; Instruction at Outrigger

The Royal Life Saving Society will have a membership in Honolulu. Classes will be organized and instruction given in life saving at the Outrigger Club. The local branch is being organized by Mr. and Mrs. L. Fullard Leo, who have had years of experience in life saving.

Classes will be formed for men and women, and officers will be chosen at a meeting which will be called in the near future. L. Fullard Leo has been an instructor in the society since its inception and brought the first life saving instruction to Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. He has been a strong advocate of swimming all his life.

The Outrigger Club has given the use of the grounds for classes, and has sanctioned the work. Every member of the society must pass an examination, and diplomas will be presented to those who have become proficient in the art of swimming and life saving. Those who are interested in the work are requested to address L. Fullard Leo, 2389 Prince Edward street, or telephone 7048. The outline of the work of the society is as follows:

The Royal Life Saving Society, founded 1892. Patron, His Majesty King George V. President, the Right Hon. Lord Desborough, K. C. V. O.

Objects

To promote technical education in life saving and resuscitation of the apparently drowned.

To stimulate public opinion in favor of the general adoption of swimming and life saving as a branch of instruction in schools, colleges, etc.

To encourage floating, diving, plunging and such other swimming arts as would be of assistance to a person endeavoring to save life.

To arrange and promote public lectures, demonstrations and competitions and to form classes of instruction so as to bring about a widespread and thorough knowledge of the principles which underlie the art of natation.

Founded on a Humane Basis

The inception of the R. L. S. S. was due to the oft-expressed desire to minimize the great loss of life from drowning, and to teach those possessed of ordinary human pluck the best methods of rescue and the resuscitation of the apparently drowned, and to develop the humane side of one of the noblest of our pastimes.

The desire to save a human life, the thought to lend a hand to a brother in peril, the sympathy with distress which the many feel but know little how to express, so greatly underlie the work of the society that there is little wonder it has found its way into human hearts far away from London, the city of its birth. The "touch of nature which makes the whole world kin" has pervaded the entire history of the society. It has so appealed to people of all classes in every clime that at present its aims and objects are known not only throughout the British empire but in most civilized countries.

Awards Granted by the Society

- Elementary certificate.
- Proficiency certificate.
- Bronze medallion.
- Teachers' certificate.
- Instructors' certificate.
- Award of merit.
- Diploma.

Progress

First examinations were held in 1892, when 86 awards were granted. In 1912 awards numbered 17,459, making a grand total of 99,614 since its inception. The well being of the society and the efficiency of its work, greatly depend upon the good will and generous assistance of friends interested in such a humane cause. Revenue is also derived from affiliation of swimming clubs, memberships, entrance fees for examinations, sale of badges, etc.

It is a humane work which goes hand in hand with such recognized institutions as St. John's Ambulance and the Red Cross, and in some countries the society enjoys government support.