

# WAIKIKI LOOKED LIKE BEAN SOUP ON SUNDAY

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Tourists who had come thousands of miles to see Honolulu's far-famed Waikiki had an opportunity to look upon it Sunday when it was the color of thick brown bean soup and about as pleasant to swim in. There was plenty of nourishment in the water, but not for human beings. It would have made excellent garden fertilizer. The water was dark brown for nearly half a mile out.

The discoloration of the usually clear water along the beach at that point was caused by the floods of muddy water which Friday and Saturday poured into the sea from Manoa stream, which empties into the ocean between the Outrigger Canoe Club and the Moana. It was still flowing in and was very much coffee-colored Sunday afternoon at sunset.

At the Halekulani and further Ewa along the beach, at Fort De Russy and the Pierpoint, the water was fine and clear, because no stream flows into the sea at or near those points.

Completion of the Waikiki reclamation project would divert the flow of Manoa stream now emptying at the Outrigger and cause it to meet the sea at a point where there is no bathing, thus freeing Waikiki of the present pollution after each heavy rain.