HEALANI WINS IN SENIOR RACE

Hilo Second, Kauai Third in Main Event of Regatta

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someday hence they would certainly, they declared, be there. Those sentiments to be spoken, yes sire, by eating peanuts and drinking colored soda water.

There were five outstanding features of the fifth annual regatta. Each of the 11 races was a feature crowded with thrills.

Canoe Parade, which well opened the program, perhaps attracted the greatest interest. Hilo was proved to win it. Healani did, by two boatlengths.

As a result of that victory, Mel Nicoll, sponsor of the club, took a dive into the ocean, clothes and all. Other members of the club followed suit to meet the sturdy men of the crew.

In lasting the race, Hilo lost no glory but gained it, for it was due to the pluck of its coxswain, Alex Bell, that it finished at all. A moment after the starting gun sounded Hilo barge entered the final stretch, the coxswain stretched back an arm and steered his craft by hand.

For thrills, the junior men's event was noticeable. Of the four entries starting, the Police crew stayed in the rear and the Myrtle clubs crew looked the winners. Then Hilo crossed the line, the Myrtle crew Myrtles and assumed victory. As they confidently stroked toward the finish line, the Police came out of the rear with a desperate spurt and edged across the line ahead of Hilo, winners by a quarter of a length.

The freshman race was similar. The Navy's entry, after holding the rear throughout the race, beat the Hilo barge across the line by just enough length to make its victory indisputable.

Ends With a Thrill

The regatta ended with a thrill. Hilo led the regatta with 15 points. The intermediate race was called with Healani and the Myrtle club facing each other. By decision of the judges, the Myrtle crew would have given the regatta to Hilo:

Over most of the course it looked like that would be the outcome.

Healani, however, rowed it three three boat lengths over the Myrtles to the finish line, thereby giving Hilo 5 points to their total and tieing Hilo.

100 People On Hand

At 9:25 a. m. the time set for the start of the regatta and the first program, there were less than 100 people in the bleachers provided for 1000, but the boathouse crowd was growing with the minutes.

The entire waterfront and the finish line flagged. On the dull waters of Hilo bay, the only disturbing sky, three boats of the automotive motor class were warming their pugging motors, their fumes and exhaust pipes heated to a steady drone, the holiday absence of noise to deepen. The bleachers took the form of holiday garb and handkerchief. Laughter, shoving and wisecracking were general.

Lt. Governor Pinkham, veteran of last year's outboard motor event and favored captain in the canoe race this year began to attract attention as he warped his blue craft craft through and round the troughs and wakes of the other craft.

It began to look like a regatta. Kohala, Hilo, Honokaa, Kona, Naalehu crowded the boathouse with boats. The big Matson steamer Lurline, mainly, hauling and flags crowded the course to take its positions. The first event was called, 25 minutes late.

About 3000 people saw the three craft that lined up for the outboard motorboat event, the first of the day's race, four laps around a mile and a quarter course. Before the race was run, Louis Abrams was leading by 500 yards.

The three entries for the first event were J. Donovan Pilot, Ormand Reed and Louis Abrams.

The race was cut short and Abrams won the two laps in 40 minutes 18 seconds.

Reed was second. Pilot's snapper racer died a sudden death in the middle of the course, coughed and quit.

In the second race, the freshman six-oared competition, Hilo showed the lead. At the turn Hilo was leading, Myrtle crew second and Healani was third. Hilo started with a powerful spurt at the start. The start crowd was on the bleachers, the shells sped over the glass, John Anderson, Hilo coxswain, urging his audience that Hilo was leading, Healani in second and Myrtle third.

Navy Begins to Gain

As the boats passed Pier 2, the Navy crew began to gain. They were in the lead as they passed the finish line Hilo was increasing its lead and the Navy crew was in enthusiasm proportionately.

As the eight boats in the cut down the finish yardage the Navy crew forged ahead to win by a length and its feet and as the gun roared out the finish, Hilo was in the lead, one of its crew members fainted and nothing more.

The results of the freshman race were:

Navy first, time 9:55:4; Hilo second; Kauai third.

The Navy combination were Boden, 1; Seyfarth, 2; Mize, 3; Urquhart, 4; Barker, 5; Cheney, 6; Bill Hart, stroke.

Other freshman crews were:

Myrtle—R. Kaiwa, 1; Kamaho, 2; Wagner, 3; D. Kalakawa, 4; Gilberto, 5; Pomroy, 6; Ross, 7.

Hilo—L. de Mello, 1; H. Mennino, 2; G. Mennino, 3; Ah Chong, 4; Akau, 5; K. Pahinui, 6; R. R. Hart, 7; Alex Bell, 8.

Healani—H. Pokipala, 1; Paul Peter, 2; W. Larson, 4; Tim Blaisdell, 5; Joe McKee, 6; Robert Kea, 7; Josiah, N. Wescoatt.

Kauai—Arthur Rockdell, stroke; Joe Contrades, 5; Glen Hopper, 4; Alfred Rodrigues, 3; George Kaeo, 2; Vincent Rodrigues, 1.

The announcer called the freshman girls, the third race of the day. The Police, resplendent in orange and green, were the first to take their places, Myrtle second and the first race. Kumalu girls were