

Hawaiian Swimmers Break Many Records During Trip

Duke Kahanamoku, Lane and Kruger Showing Mainland Natives How

By OWEN MERRICK

SAN FRANCISCO, June 14—Members of the Hawaiian swimming team have been breaking records right and left since the tour began at San Francisco. On Saturday afternoon, June 8, the boys made their first appearance and in the very first meet Harold Kruger set two new world records in the 75 yards and the 50 yards. He was forced to give his opponents more than eight seconds in this race, but won out by two lengths.

Kruger made the 100 yards in 1:10 2/5 seconds, breaking Hebner's Pacific Coast record. He was timed at the 50 and 75-yard marks, both times being world's records. He defeated Goodman and other stars in this race.

Another world's champion was added to the party when Clarence Lane set a new world's mark for the 25 yards. His time was 10 2/5 seconds, cutting off 1/5 of a second from the mark held by George Cunha. Lane was off well and defeated Norris and Goodman by a good margin. The races were held at Neptune Beach before a record crowd.

Duke Kahanamoku set a new tank record in the 100-yard event at Neptune Beach, making 55 2/5 seconds. He was off to a poor start, and although he gave the opponents a big handicap finished in second place. The next Sunday he lowered his own record for 110 yards, and was clocked at the 100 mark in 54.

At Del Monte the boys received a royal welcome, and set new records in the three events. The affair was given by the Del Monte chapter of the Red Cross. A very pretty maiden collected money from the spectators banked around the Roman plunge.

In the first race of the day Kruger set a new tank record for the 100-yard backstroke, making 1:08 1/5, which equaled his world's mark made in open water at Honolulu. This was one fifth of a second better than Hebner's best tank record.

Duke broke his own record which was made in Australia. He flashed through the water to the 150-yard mark in 1:30 4/5. His best previous time was 1:32. Clarence Lane made a great race in the 50 yards, making 23 2/5 seconds. More than \$100 was collected for the Red Cross.

Party On the Road

The Hawaiian swimmers and party left San Francisco on June 16 for Portland, Oregon, where they were to remain until June 23. Their next stop is to be at Duluth, Minnesota, where a meet is to be held on July 4. From Duluth the party will go to Chicago, where swimming meets will be held July 6 to July 15.

Owen Merrick writes in glowing terms about the trip of the party to Del Monte, California, where a number of records were broken, as mentioned in Mr. Merrick's special correspondence to The Advertiser, printed above.

The Hawaiians made a seventeen-mile auto trip to the Old Mission outside of Del Monte, and the boys saw the oldest house in Monterey. Pictures were taken of the party at the movie city in Carmel with Harold Lockwood, the great actor.

"We played golf with the champion of California," says Merrick in a letter to J. Brooks Brown, "and Duke, Lane and Kruger hit them a mile."