

FERN SUGGESTS BOARD GIVE BATHERS THE "ONCE OVER" AT WAIKIKI

Visit Waikiki and see for themselves whether the bathing suits worn by the fair bathers are indecent or not is the idea of Mayor Joseph J. Fern, who will suggest to the meeting of the board of supervisors tonight that in view of the fact that the women's auxiliary of the Outrigger Club does not appear to want to drop the subject an investigation at first hand be made.

"I am going to suggest to the meeting tonight that the board as a whole pay a visit to Waikiki next Saturday afternoon and see for themselves whether there is any truth in the charge of the Outrigger ladies that indecent bathing suits are being worn," declared Mayor Fern this morning.

"The board has maintained a neutral attitude pending the actual bringing of the subject to their attention by letter but since the ladies of the Outrigger Club seemed disposed to continue in their horrified mood, we might as well look into the situation.

"I feel confident that after the members of the board have seen for themselves that the charges or allegations of the ladies are without ground, the subject will be dropped. And after that if the ladies attempt to bring it before the board I am sure it will be given such a cold reception that it will be shelved for once and all.

"With some important appointments before them, the budget for the next six months and a half a hundred other vital civic matters the bathing suit question should not be considered even for one moment by the board.

"However just to satisfy the Outrigger Club ladies that the civic officials are not forming their opinions without first hand knowledge, I will ask the board to pay the visit to Waikiki beach next Saturday and make the investigation."