

AN OPEN LETTER.

Schofield Barracks, July 18, 1918.

Mr. Charles H. Rose,
Sheriff of Honolulu.

Dear Charlie: I see by Wednesday's papers how the supervisors passed you the "buck" in regard to a communication submitted by the board of directors of the Women's Auxiliary, dealing with the lately so much discussed bathing-suit question for "our" girl swimmers.

We all know you are a good sport and a regular fellow, and we know also that the communication from the Women's Auxiliary very logically will find its way into your waste paper basket, where all rubbish belongs to.

I most sincerely hope to see you next Tuesday afternoon on the beach to see for yourself if a "boy's" bathing suit worn by a "girl" appears to be indecent as lamented by the "good" women of the board of directors of the Women's Auxiliary.

Dear Charlie, much has been said, and much has **NOT** been said, pro and contra the bathing suit question. The best of letters came from Mary Morgan, J. Ashman Beaven and from our own Ruth Stacker.

Heavens, what medieval traditions foster the good women of the auxiliary? Now they claim our girls, wearing practical bathing suits, are objectionable for the public at large. Pray, honorable board of directors of the Women's Auxiliary, do you represent the public at large? It seems rather impertinent to try to prevent women who reside a stone's throw from the beach from using the public highways, clad in bathing suits in order to reach the beach. The rocking chair politicians of the Women's Auxiliary claim the support of the board of directors of the good old Outrigger Canoe Club, which claim has been repeatedly denied by prominent club members. They also state tourists have been complaining and many criticisms are coming from the coast in regard for bathing suits.

Dear Charlie, life is a poker game. Call their bluff and ask for proof for some of their statements. Yes, force them to a showdown!

Sincerely yours,

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