

# 14 YEAR OLD OAHU MERMAID BREAKS RECORD SET BY FRANCES COWELLS

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being a victory for Ross by two and one-half feet, in 6 minutes 6 and 4-5 seconds. The time was slow compared with Ludy Langer's record of 5 minutes, 17 2-5 seconds.

## Edith Kenn Wins Women's Open

Edith Kenn, Elsie Auld, Kuaaloa Kellipio and Beatrice Dowsett were all the starters in the 50-yards women's open race. Frances Cowells did not compete owing to her accident earlier in the evening. Edith Kenn and Elsie Auld were on opposite sides of the course, with Beatrice Dowsett and Hilo's pride in the center. The outside girls seemed to have the better of the dive and Kuaaloa swam crooked, almost colliding with Beatrice Dowsett. This threw her behind and Edith Kenn and Elsie Auld drew ahead. Both the leaders swam a very clear, straight course, making the most of every ounce expended. Edith Kenn gained a very close decision over Elsie Auld, Beatrice Dowsett being third. The time was 22 4-5 seconds, not as good as that made by the girls under 15 years.

Ruth Scudder reserved herself for the 50 yards race for girls under 15 years, meeting Agnes Auld, Mollie Akana and Helen Moses, of Hilo, in this contest. The presence of Helen Moses lent additional interest to the event, even though it was generally admitted that the Honolulu champion had the better chance, as Helen Moses has not been sufficiently trained against experienced swimmers. However, Helen Moses made a good start, showing ahead of Mollie Akana, but the race was between Ruth Scudder and Agnes Auld. The advantage lay with Ruth Scudder, for she had the event in hand 10 or 15 yards from the start, although Agnes Auld battled gamely right up to the finishing line. Helen Moses was third and her style in staying with and defeating one of the Honolulu entrants was the occasion for great applause. The time was 32 seconds, 4-5 of a second better than the time of Edith Kenn in the 50 yards women's open, although Edith Kenn had to swim all the way to win.

## Kane Wins Breast Stroke

The fine easy stroke which George K. Kane used in the 100 yards breast stroke for men was generally and favorably commented on, as he moved through the water, gaining on his opponents all the while. There were five competitors in the race, Kane, Pua Kealoa, Sam Kahanamoku, W. W. Harris, Jr., and James O'Dowda, but the race lay between Kane, Kealoa and Kahanamoku from the gun. There were two false starts, but at the third attempt all struck the water well. Kane took the lead, with Kealoa and Kahanamoku making a great fight of it for second place. Kealoa made a particularly good recovery in the second half, but he was unable to beat out Kane, finishing second, with Kahanamoku third, Harris fourth and O'Dowda last. The time was 1 minute, 21 2-5 seconds.

## She's Some Scudder

"Won all the way!" was the general comment on Ruth Scudder's victory in the 50 yards back stroke for women. It was her first attempt in public to race in a back stroke event, and when it was announced that she had beaten Frances Cowells' record of 40 seconds by 1 second the little 14-year-old girl was loudly cheered. The ease with which Miss Scudder propelled herself through the water, watching her two opponents, Edith Kenn and Gerd Hiorth, all the while, centered all interest on her. The victory was easy, with Edith Kenn in second place. Time 39 seconds, the Hawaiian record.

Helen Moses' success in the 50 yards race for local girls was welcomed by the audience with rounds of applause. The five starters were Helen Moses, Christine Kellipio, Blanche Rose, Eleanore Rose and Dorothy Streeter. Betty Forbes, who qualified by gaining third place in the first heat on Tuesday evening, did not put in an appearance. Little Eleanore Rose, the 11-year-old wonder, was first away, but she had no chance against the elder girls. Helen Moses took the lead at the start and was given a very good race by Blanche Rose. However, Helen Moses had the race in hand half way down the course, with Blanche Rose struggling hard and little Eleanore fighting to keep out of last place. She finished fourth, amid the cheers of the entire audience, but Dorothy Streeter stopped just short of the finish and started again, finishing just behind Eleanore. Christine Ke-

lippo, after making a good race, took second.

## Hilo Boy Wins in 50

There was a good start in the 50 yards race for boys under 15 years, in which James Hakuole, Jr., of the Palama Club, Honolulu, was out to down Hilo's best, Noah Kalama, Wm. Bell, Kalaone Mehan, Jack Streeter, Maxfield Webster, James Kennedy and Orlando Lyman represented Hilo and Young Noah Kalama won out. Hakuole had the better of the start, but Kalama came along with a fine sprint, drawing even, then ahead and finally winning out by a couple of feet, with Bell and Mehan almost locked together for third place, Bell getting the decision. The time was 28 4-5 seconds, which is considered very creditable for the Hilo boy.

A false start marked the 100 yards open race for men, in which Norman Ross, Warren Kealoa, Pua Kealoa, H. H. Kruger and George Schroth appeared. Ross was first away, with Kruger, Warren and Pua Kealoa close behind in that order, and Ross maintained his lead. When about 35 yards to go, Warren drew beyond Kruger, but could not make up the advantage held by Ross, who won by about two feet. Time, 57 1-5 seconds.

## Too Swift for Scouts

Honolulu Boy Scouts had a comparatively easy time in winning from the local Boy Scouts in the relay race over the 400 yards course, but in the first half of each lap the Hilo boy in Team No. 1 roused the enthusiasm of the spectators by clipping off some of the advantage which the visitors had from the start. However, in each case, the second half of the distance was too much for the local boys who fell back and finally Honolulu won out easily from Team No. 1, with Team No. 2 almost a full 100 yards behind.

## Outrigger Girls Take Relay

The two girl teams from Honolulu closed the final event of the meet in a 400 yards relay race, four girls to a team. When these teams, representing the Outrigger Club and the Palama Club, met in Honolulu a week ago, the race was acclaimed the best event of the entire meet, for the race ended in a very narrow victory, four inches only, for the Palama girls. Last night, however, the Outrigger girls had the best of the race from the start. Ruth Scudder was first away and she gained quite a distance on Elsie Auld, enabling Beatrice Dowsett to keep ahead of Yoshino Namlya, giving Gerd Hiorth a lead from Rose Robero, and Josephine Hopkins fully 10 seconds to the good over Agnes Auld. The strenuous effort made by Agnes Auld was applauded, but she had no chance of winning against such a handicap. Time, 5 minutes 57 seconds.

## Arrangements Please Visitors

Not only did the quality of the water in the harbor of Hilo appeal to the visiting swimmers, but also the arrangements made for the conducting of the races which were much appreciated. The position of the two scows was favorably commented upon by the visitors, also the lighting of the bath.

The starting and finishing points on each of the scows were excellently illumined by colored lights, thus giving the contestants the opportunity to catch a glimpse of the finishing point without having to more than just shoot a fleeting glance ahead. On the scows, over the starting points and over the finishing points of each swimmer was a colored light, red, blue, green and white being used. In all there were seven colored lights, so that the competitor starting from under any one light had all the opportunity desired to keep a straight course, being guided by the correspondingly colored light at the other end of the bath. Even this did not prevent some of the swimmers veering considerably from their courses, but that was in their anxiety to make pace.

## Large Arcs Light Course

In all there were 11 large arc lights over the center and across from end to end, and these were ample to provide sufficient light to watch the progress of the swimmers, although to those sitting along the lower edge of the bleachers at times the reflection of the end lights in the water hid the contestants from view for a brief spell. However, this did not detract a great deal from the enjoyment supplied to the audience, although it may be improved when the next night meet is pulled off in Hilo.

The events were all run out on

time. The officials deserve to be highly praised for the manner in which the starters, judges, announcer and timekeepers were on the mark all the while. There was not a false start made on the first night, which is something to be very proud of. Naturally, this meant there were no unnecessary delays caused by recalling the swimmers and there were no delays by reason of the swimmers not being on their mark on time. On the second night there were half a dozen false starts, due to over-anxiety to get away first.

## Boy Scouts Useful

The Boy Scouts were in evidence both evenings in attending to the spectators, directing them to their seats, disposing of the programs, and generally making themselves useful. To the officials they were also of great aid.

The music supplied by the County Band was a feature of the evenings, also that rendered by the Hawaiian band in attendance.

The officials to whom credit should be given are: Judges, John T. Moir, Horace Johnson, A. A. Scott, H. B. Mariner, V. Genoves and Frank J. Cody. Referee, George D. Center. Starter, Wm. Cottrell. Scorer, H. K. Ashford. Timekeepers, D. L. Conklin, B. H. Clark, P. Nottage, Mel. A. Nicoll, G. Y. Bennett and A. M. Webster. Announcer, W. V. Allen. Physician, Dr. L. L. Sexton. Clerk of the Course, Captain F. Mosher. Marshal, Deputy Sheriff Henry K. Martin. Chaperones, Mrs. G. Wright and Mrs. R. T. Moses.

The committee who made practically all of the arrangements, aided by many others who preferred to work under direction, were: A. M. Webster, chairman; Frank H. West, E. Stanley Elmore, H. K. Ashford and J. W. Bains.

## MAUI TO CUT OUT HILO

### Matsonia to Be First Ship to Make Trip.

By The Associated Press.  
HONOLULU, Nov. 12.—The Matson Navigation Company liner Maui, due here Nov. 29 or 31, will not visit Hilo on this trip according to information received by the local agents, Castle & Cooke.

The Matsonia, the second of the big ships to be returned by the War Department, is being refitted on the Atlantic Coast and will leave New York November 25 and should arrive here about December 18, stopping at San Francisco en route.

The Matsonia will be the first of the returned vessels to make the Hilo trip.

## LETTS DEFEAT GERMANS

### Outskirts of Riga Scene of Battle.

By The Associated Press.  
DORPAT, Nov. 12.—Lettish troops have attacked the combined German Russian force under Col. Bermond outside of Riga, according to reports, and succeeded in driving them back for several miles.

The Letts are following up their victory.

## COLD WAVE SWEEPS WEST

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 12.—(A. P.)—Lincoln is in the grip of a cold wave which has been sweeping over the middle west for several days. Temperatures range from 7 above to 8 below zero, with but a limited coal supply.

## DRY CHIEF NAMED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—(A. P.)—John F. Kramer, an attorney of Marshfield, Ohio, has been appointed Federal Prohibition Commissioner and will have charge of the enforcement of the wartime and Constitutional Prohibition laws.

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