

HARRIS IS NOW IN CHAMP CLASS

CENTER LAUDS MODEST SWIMMER

W. W. Harris, Jr., better known as Bill Harris of the Outrigger Canoe club, and now a member of the Hawaiian swimming team on the mainland, is at last established as a champion swimmer. It took Bill a long time to reach the zenith, but his finish as second in the 440 yard against Norman Ross in Chicago, where Ross broke the world record because of being pushed by Harris, and his finish of second in the 400 meter event at Neptune when Ludy Langer won out by a hair, has put him in the big class. In both races he lost out by a narrow margin and the race in San Francisco shows that he will give a good account of himself in Antwerp.

What "Dad" Says

"We sent in Ludy, Harris, Duke and Kruger," writes George "Dad" Center about the 400 meter event at Neptune on June 26. "They were instructed to get all four places, as each of the four places counted. Duke and Harris were figured on for winners, as they were doing great work up to this time. Ludy,

when he landed in S. F. was a pretty worried chap, but I kept telling him not to worry. He was consulting all the coaches he ran across. But I kept telling him just to keep on working out and not worry. The race was called with Mitre Konowaloff from the north (who at one time was with Palama and learned to swim in Hawaii) and E. P. Burns from the south. From the crack of the gun Ludy starts out with Konowaloff trying to get in the lead. Duke, Harris and Kruger are close seconds. Ludy turns first, making the first 100 yards in 1:00.2, which is some going. Konowaloff is a close second, with Duke, Kruger and Harris close together a couple of seconds behind. After the turn Konowaloff begins to fall in the rear, while Duke moves up to Ludy and it begins to look as if he was going to take the lead, but at the 155 yard mark, Ludy, still fighting, begins to crawl away slowly. Then Harris overtakes Duke and stays alongside of him, turning at the 200 yard mark a little better than the Duke. Ludy still has a yard to the good. Down the stretch of the 300 yards comes Ludy, expecting this lap to be hard fought. He swings right into it from the turn of the 200 yards and kicks up a lead at the start of the 300 yard mark. At that point he had four yards to the good. The Duke and Harris turn together there.

Starts Out

"Harris woke up then to the fact that Ludy had too much of a lead and that the Duke was not to be figured upon. So Bill starts after Ludy for all he had in him. Ludy expected it, and put up a great fight, but Harris kept gaining and gaining. At the 400 yard turn Ludy had but two yards lead, and Harris opened up a terrible burst of speed on that last stretch that carried him across the line but a scant yard behind the winner. Ludy gave everything he had to win that race and fought like a real veteran. In my estimation Harris was foolish to let Ludy get such a lead on him, because if he had trailed him closer there would never have been any argument about it. The spurt that Harris put up was surprising. I am not saying that Harris could have beaten Ludy, because Ludy is now in great shape. Ludy, in winning this 400 meter, established a world record of 5:21. Harris swam a great race, considering this being his first 400 meter race in fast company."

FIVE TEAMS LIKELY IN GRIDIRON LEAGUE

At least five teams will take part in the major football league season this fall. That is the present outlook and from general indications the class of football served this fall should be of a higher grade than that given the fans last season.

The five teams that are more or less certain include University of Hawaii, Town Team, Outriggers, Palama and Schofield. The Schofield team will probably be the only service team to take part. An effort will be made to get the teams to form a league this year rather than to play unorganized games as they did last season.

Despite the fact that there are but five teams in the field the class of football should be high with the addition of men such as Atherton Gilman, Carter Galt and others. There is a possibility that Luke field will put in a team as it did last year. More attention is being given to athletics in the Hawaiian department this year than last and the possibility of two teams from the department in the grid league is not remote.