

MARIECHEN TO SEEK TITLE AT PUNAHOU MEET

Helen Moses Not In Training This Year To Compete For the Trophy

Mariechen Wehselein, premier woman swimmer of Hawaii, will make an effort to defeat all competition next Friday evening at the Waterhouse Memorial tank and capture the Swanzy cup. Helen Moses is the present titleholder, but owing to the fact that she is rowing and has not been training for swimming for the past several months is conceded little chance of taking the trophy this year.

"Squeaky" Wehselein, although having won a good share of Olympic laurels, has always craved to have her name engraved on the local aquatic trophy and will make a supreme effort to do this this year. While the Outrigger star is conceded the best chances of coming to the front she will have a wealth of competition to buck against this year. The committee in charge of the sixth annual Hawaiian swimming meet for women has announced that an exceptionally large entry list is expected and it would not be at all surprising if some "dark horse" swimmer came to the front and outpointed the Olympic star.

Moses to Enter

Helen Moses, present holder of the trophy, will compete again this year. Mrs. E. Fullard-Leo, local swimming authority, announced yesterday afternoon. It is not expected that Helen Moses will be a serious contender, however, as she has taken up rowing and has not followed swimming for the past several months. She may be able to capture some of the events from Mariechen and help to split points whereby a third swimmer would be able to forge to the front. Other outstanding girl swimmers entered include the Laird sisters. Both are good at the sprints and should force the Olympic star to put her best into the hundred yard freestyle event. This number is a championship affair and "Squeaky" Wehselein may endeavor to lower her own record in an effort to show her supremacy over Ethel Lackie, Illinois Athletic Club girl swimmer, who defeated the local girl on several occasions while abroad.

School Girls Entered

Erma Tarleton, physical director of the girls' department at McKinley High school, has announced her intention of entering a number of school girls in the "wahine" meet. Among them will be Pearl Buffum, a sprinter, who stood out as likely material earlier in the year. Besides this it is expected that teams from all the public grammar schools will enter and compete for the Leo cup, donated by Mrs. E. Fullard-Leo. Only those girls who are in no way connected with affiliated clubs will be allowed to compete for the Leo cup. Mrs. Leo making this condition in order to develop new material.

Men's Events Included

Although the main purpose of Friday's meet is to develop women swimmers, a number of men's events have been included on the program. Chief among these is the hundred-yard men's backstroke event. The event is a national championship and should see Warren Kealoha, Henry Luning, and Charlie Pung competing. Up until this morning Gay Harris was the only swimmer entered for this event, but it is expected the others will hand in their entries prior to noon of Monday. Rumors to the effect that Kealoha, Pung and Luning would not enter is being scoffed at by local sportsmen who contend that the Olympic stars should be only too glad to have an opportunity of showing their wares to the fans who made it possible for them to compete at the Paris Olympiad.

Plunge Number

Upon request of the navy, which intends to compete in the meet, a plunge was added to the program. This should draw well as there are quite a few divers who stand out strong in this event.

Frank Bequirepaire may take part in the aquatic meet, although nothing definite has been decided in this regard as yet. The Australian swimmer will arrive in Honolulu on Monday and due to pressing business affairs at home may not be able to remain here for the affair. It is understood, however, that he will make arrangements while here whereby a local team may visit Australia next year.

Trophies

Three medals in each event excepting the 100 yards freestyle for men is being offered by the Women's Auxiliary of the Outrigger Canoe Club. Mrs. A. L. Castle's cup will go to the winner of the 100 yards events for men, while silver medals will go to the winning team of the service relay. The Women's Auxiliary cup will be awarded the winner of the Men's Club relay.

Trials will be held on Thursday evening at the Waterhouse Memorial tank for all events in which there are more than six entries. It was announced yesterday by members of the committee that in the 50-yard event for public school grammar grades, only one entry from one school would be allowed to compete and the Leo cup will go to the school, but medal awards will be made to first, second and third.

List of Events

The list of events are as follows:

- 50 yards women's novice freestyle.
- 100 yards men's novice freestyle.
- Plunge for women championship.
- 50 yards breaststroke for women, II. championship.
- 100 yards men's freestyle championship.
- 25 yards tub race for men.
- 50 yards women's backstroke championship.
- 200 yards relay for service men (4 at 50 yards, 2 alternates allowed).
- 300 yards relay for men's clubs (5 at 50 yards, 2 alternates allowed).
- 100 yards women's freestyle championship.
- 100 yards men's backstroke championship.
- 50 yards grammar school girls.
- Plunge for men open.
- Diving for women (Swanzy cup dives only).
- 100 yards breaststroke for men championship.