

# Myrtle Wins Regatta Day Senior Race

10,000 Persons See Boats,  
Yachts Vie on Ala  
Moana Course

## COLORFUL EVENTS

Outrigger Wins in Canoe  
Event, Dowsett Is  
Star Victor

Fully 10,000 spectators thronged Ala Moana park yesterday afternoon to witness the revival of Regatta Day in Honolulu and see the Myrtles and Outrigger Canoe Club crews pull to victories in the major events of the day's program.

While the colors of Hilo, Healanani, Navy, Kauai and the girls' rowing clubs were absent yesterday, the combined forces of Myrtle, Police, Outrigger, Hui Nalu, Queens Surf and Pearl Harbor Yacht Club helped to stage one of the most successful aquatic days in the long history of the sport in the Islands.

Myrtle captured the senior rowing championship, blue ribbon events of the regatta.

The Japanese Rowing club made its debut in auspicious fashion and showed potentialities that will blossom forth within a year and provide new competition for the old-established rowing clubs that are certain to be among those present a year hence when rowing will again take its place as a major sport in Hawaii.

But the day of the rowing regatta is gone.

### "NEW DEAL" REGATTA

A "new deal" in regatta was born yesterday and next year instead of just the rowing events of the past, there will be mingled with the major races, competitions between virtually every type of craft in Island waters.

Yesterday's revival decided that without qualification.

It is true that the events dragged and did not run according to schedule and it was also a fact that the hot afternoon sun beating down on the placid waters off Ala Moana did not help the situation, but Judge A. G. M. Robertson, "father of Regatta Day," offered the solution that will, perhaps, insure the annual aquatic competition a permanent place in the sporting realm when he suggested that the regatta be shifted to Labor Day and be staged as in days of yore, in the morning hours.

Given more comfortable conditions, instead of 10,000 as there certainly were present yesterday, there will be closer to 20,000 spectators gathered along the new parkway.

### RED CREW WINS

The main event of the day was the senior barge race between Myrtle and Police and the powerful Big Red Six stroked to an easy victory over the plucky cops.

But what took the eyes and hearts of the crowd was the quarter-mile sprint event between two old-time crews from the Myrtle Club—or it should be eleven old-time Myrtles augmented by one, lonely Healanani in the person of Mel Nicoll.

And Mel Nicoll rowed in the winning boat, whether because of the fact of his early Healanani training or because he, a Healanani, wore bright red trunks, is something that caused some sort of an argument along Ala Moana after the "big" event of the day had ended.

The old-timers showed that with

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