

Hume Ford To Leave Today

The Outrigger Club is richer by four canoes and poorer one president. The head of the organization, Alexander Hume Ford, leaves for Vancouver on the Makura today.

Before departing he made over to the club his canoe interests and persuaded some of his canoe-owning friends to do the same, so that the girls and women come into possession of Dr. Humphris' dainty little Nalunui, Henry Hustace's Nuuanu, and the boys get P. M. Pond's racer, the Palolo, and A. R. Gurrey's surfer, the Kamaaina. The girls' canoes will be kept in the lagoon for the exclusive use of the girls and women of the club, and the boys' canoes will be used in the ocean.

Allan Herbert will assume Ford's yoke while Ford is in the States talking to athletic clubs about the wonders of surfing in Hawaii. Mr. Herbert starts at once putting a pele grass thatch on the new lanai, and seeing that the contractors now at work on the lagoon put down a solid retaining wall. The club will retain its Hawaiian character, and hereafter only Hawaiian canoes will be given space on the grounds, as the club was originally organized for the sole purpose of perpetuating Hawaiian sports amid Hawaiian surroundings.

It will not in any way encroach on the prerogatives of the boat clubs. Its grass houses already attract attention on the walls of the Kilohana Art League, on the 1909 calendars, and even on the mainland in art albums. It is the intention of the originators of the club to create a perfect Hawaiian village about the lagoon—the one bit of real Hawaii left for the visitor to enjoy and the children of the kamaaina to study.

Mrs. F. M. Swanzy is the new vice

president of the club and will appoint a chairman of the woman's auxiliary. Work will go on at once fitting up the ladies' bath-house, and the auxiliary will soon have its dressing rooms and lockers completed.

The boards and paddle prizes for the winning crews of last Saturday's regatta are being made by Horomoto, the club carpenter. Soon Pat O'Brien, the caretaker, will begin setting out young cocoanut and pandanus trees, and the work of restoring a portion of Waikiki to its pristine Hawaiian simplicity will be carried out.

The president of the club hints that he may return via the South Seas, with a cargo of outrigger canoes that will seem strange, but picturesque, besides the real Hawaiian article.

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