

# Kona Announces Lane Drawings For Canoe Race

## Japanese Crew Gets No. 1; Thurston Reveals Great Interest

"It'll be a thriller!"

It was the voice of Lorrin P. Thurston, president of The Advertiser Publishing Co., coming over a short-wave broadcast last night from Kona Inn, Hawaii.

Thurston was enthusiastically discussing the main event of tomorrow's second annual canoe classic, which is promoted by his publishing company. The broadcast, heard throughout the territory, was arranged by the Mutual Telephone Co.

### ALL 9 IN RACE

"The Japanese crew," said Thurston, "having a new, special designed boat, appears to be the proverbial dark horse. Yet each of the other eight entrants has an equal chance of finishing first," he said.

"Watch the Milolii crew," he said. "Watch too, the spear-fishing Molokai canoeists, the strong Honolulu groups and well-trained Kona paddlers. It's going to be some race!"

Thurston told the radio audience of the meeting yesterday afternoon of representatives of various crews, at which rules for the races were agreed upon and drawing for lanes made. He announced the drawings as follows:

The Japanese crew No. 1, Milolii No. 2, Queen Surfers No. 3, Honaunau No. 4, Hui Nalu No. 5, Molokai No. 6, Outriggers No. 7, Kailua No. 8 and Napoopoo No. 9.

### FULL PROGRAM

The broadcast, as one might hazard to guess, opened with "I Want To Go Back" sung by the Hui Nalu song club, which furnished other musical numbers throughout the short-wave broadcast. The Kailua crew sang, Representative Herbert N. Ahuna spoke, and Willie Whittle, coach of the Queen's surfriders, voiced confidence in his crew.

Leslie W. Branch, manager of the Hawaii division of the Mutual Telephone company, sponsors of the program, was introduced by M. A. Mulrony, manager of KGU, and gave a brief talk on national and international communications, stressing the part played by radio in the maintenance of a democratic form of government.

C. J. Griswold of the Kona civic club, sponsor of the annual canoe races at Kealahou bay, was the last speaker. He welcomed the visitors to Kona and invited them to the various events which will be held after the races Saturday morning.