

DUKE UNABLE TO GO ON TRIP

Hopes of Australian swimming officials and fans of seeing Duke P. Kahanamoku in action at a championship meet scheduled for Melbourne in January were dashed today with the announcement that Duke's capacity as sheriff of Honolulu will prevent him getting away from the islands.

The Australian invitation, which came to George (Dad) Center, Outrigger Canoe club aquatic mentor, several days ago, stipulated that the former Hawaiian fish must be on a team of three to perform in Melbourne.

Center has turned over the matter to Henry O. (Pop) Pfaender of the Hawaiian AAU swimming committee, who will reply that Duke can not possibly make the trip, and that officials here would be willing to send other outstanding mermen, if such a plan meets with the approval of the Australians.

Pfaender has in mind to pick the swimmers from the Hawaiian AAU outdoor championship meet, November 13 and 20, at the Waikiki natatorium. Already, great interest has been shown in the aquatic programs.