

# Did You Know?

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**This little column about people and things is dedicated to the malihini—(that's what you are if you have just arrived).**

Did you know that in New York you may have met your girl friend at the lions in front of the library? In Honolulu you might meet your wahine (girl friend) near the clock in front of the Outrigger Club at Waikiki. The land for this club, organized in 1908, was leased from the Queen Emma Estate in order that the mauka people (high land dwellers) might carry on their swimming and surfing. Islanders have always been among world leaders in these sports. Many an Island babe has learned to swim before he could walk.

In prewar days, many celebrities sunned in the sand near the Outrigger Club. Leaders of the movie world were there. Of swimmers—Johnny Weissmuller, Buster Crabbe, and many others besides our own famous Duke Kahanamoku. The Duke is amused by the fact that he frequently has to disillusion the malihini. When it comes right down to the facts, he isn't a duke at all, but is named for his father who was named for the Duke of Edinburgh after that celebrity's visit here.

After the bleak war years with little leisure for swimming and surfing, kamaainas (old timers) are happy to see that Waikiki and the Outrigger Club are again on duty.