Molokai-to-Oahu Canoe Race Aloha Week Event

Outrigger canoe teams planning to compete in the Molokai to Oahu race next month believe the event will be the biggest such race since the introduction of steam power to island craft.

The race will be held Oct. 24 as a feature of Aloha Week. Odds are being laid on the Molokai team, winner last year, and the Waikiki Surf club. The Waikiki club lost out last year when the boat developed outrigger trouble. Although the Waikiki Surf club team came in second as a result, many observers believe it actually was the strongest team and has a good chance to take the big cup this year.

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PRACTICE SESSIONS are being held regularly. The Surf club team worked out yesterday and went through a series of drills for a television photography team setting up coverage for both local and Mainland stations.

The race, to start on the west end of Molokai and run to Waikiki, will cover one of the roughest stretches of water in the Pacific.

A meeting of all persons interested in water activities of Aloha Week will be held tonight at 7:30 in Aloha Week headquarters in the Armory, and details of the race will be discussed.

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CONTEST RULES call for use of a genuine Hawaiian outrigger canoe. No sails or other means of "artificial propulsion" may be used. Six paddlers will compose each team, and two relief paddlers may travel on the power boat convoy to relieve any exhausted paddlers aboard the six or eight boats to compete in the event.

ALOHA WEEK, INC., sponsors the race, with almost one thousand dollars in prize money. The race will be run off under the sanction of the Hawaiian Canoe Racing and Surfing Association.

At the meeting tonight all phases of water activities in connection with Aloha Week will be discussed.

John Lind will preside.

QUEEN RETURNS — Hannah Chinn, winner of the Narcissus queen title in the contest sponsored earlier this year by the Honolulu Chinese Chamber of Commerce, returned early Sunday morning from Manila by Philippine Airlines. Miss Chinn left for the Orient Aug. 12, and her itinerary took her to Manila, Formosa and Hong Kong. (Philippine Airlines photo.)

GermanConductor Visits Here After Australian Tour

Hans Schmidt-Isserstedt, one of Germany's foremost symphony conductors, arrived in Honolulu yesterday from Sydney, Australia