

# Hawaii Accepts Canoe Bid

Hawaii has been invited to participate in Olympic canoeing demonstrations scheduled to be held in conjunction with the Pan American Games in Cleveland this year.

Johnny Bustard, chairman of the public relations committee of the Hawaiian AAU, said the invitation came from Ernest L. Millar, secretary of the Olympic canoeing committee.

"We have tentatively accepted the invitation," stated Bustard. "We also hope to participate in the President's

Cup regatta Sept. 6 in Washington, D.C.," he added.

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**THE PAN AMERICAN** Games canoeing demonstrations are scheduled for Aug. 29-30.

Bustard said there is no canoeing competition in the Pan Am Games as only two countries, the United States and Canada, are interesting in canoeing. Five countries are needed for competition, he explained.

Bustard said three kayaks have arrived from Europe and that two Canadian-type

canoes have been ordered and should arrive shortly.

The kayaks are for single, doubles and four-man competitions and will be demonstrated Sunday morning in Ala Wai canal by George Downing, one of Hawaii's leading outrigger canoe racing enthusiasts, and also by Lou Gill, 1958 National champion in the Canadian canoe class.

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**GILL IS SCHEDULED** to arrive Saturday from Japan and is remaining in Honolulu until Sunday evening to par-

ticipate in the demonstration. He is a member of the Old Dominion Boat Club of Alexandria, Virginia, and is in Japan on a business trip.

Bustard said Sunday's demonstration is open to all those interested in furthering Olympic canoeing. It will last from 10 a.m. to noon and will be held in the vicinity of the Ala Wai Boat House.

He added that U.S. Olympic officials have expressed great hopes that Hawaii will add Olympic canoeing to its sports slate.