

# Grigg Wins Duke Surf

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Ricky Grigg, one of the leading big wave surfers, yesterday captured the Duke Kahanamoku Invitational Surfing Meet championship in perfectly formed surf of 12 to 18 feet at Sunset Beach.

He bested 24 of the world's best surfers by 24 points — a decisive margin — to win the coveted honors.

Rick, a man of many talents, has scored a number of surfing victories, including

the recent California Intercollegiate championships held in small surf.

He is a former junior college All-American swimmer and was an Aquanaut for the Navy's man-in-the-sea program.

He is currently working for a Ph.D. at Scripps Institution of Oceanography after receiving his master's degree at the University of Hawaii.

His great knowledge of the sea came in handy yesterday

as time after time he managed to out-jockey his competition for position on the waves.

THE SURF, despite the perfect form, was so powerful that it broke the leg of 1965 U.S.S.A. surfing champ Rusty Miller when a section collapsed and crushed him against his board.

Several other surfers received minor injuries, including the champion, when they were carried over the falls with the breaking wave

for a rough ride over the sharp coral bottom some 20 feet underwater.

The awesome power of the waves convinced two surfers, Gary Propper of Florida and Doug Haut of California, that they didn't belong out there, and they sat through their heats outside the lineup.

This was probably a wise move, for as Fred Hemmings said: "The smart waterman knows his own limitations and has the courage to respect them."

Fred should know, as he is this year's Makaha champ and placed third yesterday.

Hemmings and Mike Doyle, who placed third this year at Makaha and second yesterday, drew cheers from the crowd of more than 300 with some spectacular hot dogging on the medium sized waves, but they just couldn't match Grigg, who thrilled the crowd and judges alike by disappearing from sight in the tubes of some of the biggest waves of the day.

Felipe Pomar placed fourth and was the only surfer who placed last year to repeat. He couldn't seem to get going in the finals after a great performance in the preliminaries.

Defending champion Jeff Hakman was eliminated by Fred Hemmings and Gregg Noll, who earned his nickname of the Bull by powering through the biggest waves in the preliminaries. He wasn't so lucky in the finals and got several long swims.

Three Hawaiian surfers scored major upsets in their preliminary heats and went on to place in the finals. They were Jock Sutherland, who led all surfers in with 226 points in the preliminaries, Eddie Aikau, and Ben Aipa.

The crowd seemed to like

## U.S. Girls Turn Back Peru Team

The United States women's volleyball team, sparked by the all-around play of Shirley Peterson, defeated the Peru National squad, 15-7, 15-13 last night in an invitational tournament match at the McKinley High School gymnasium.

Earlier, the Peru girls dived the Hawaii All-Stars, 15-5, 15-11 behind the hard spiking of Luisa Fuentes and Capt. Esperanza Jimenez.

In an exhibition match, the Outrigger Canoe Club decided the Hawaii All-Stars, 12-15, 15-7, 15-8.

The women's tournament will continue tonight.

The Hawaii Girls and Peru will meet for a second time at around 8:30 and the winner will take on the U.S. team in the nightcap for the championship.

The OCC and Hawaii Men's All-Stars will again meet in an exhibition match at 7.

## Leeward Five Cops

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## What's Wrong With Baseball?

The answer to that question is apparently nothing.

In an effort to evaluate itself and find how the national pastime sits with its national audiences, Commissioner of Baseball William D. Eckert conducted a survey which asked:

Are major league games too long? Is the season too short? Should the Major Leagues expand? Are there enough doubleheaders and night games? Are tickets priced right? Do managers overmanage? Do umpires take too much backtalk?

More than 5,000 letters from fans in every state and from G.I.s overseas provided the following answers:

The season which covers 162 games from mid-April to early October is just right.

The games, which average 2 hours and 24 minutes, are just long enough. But the pace is too slow.

There are just enough night games and doubleheaders.

The emphasis on pitching and on hitting is well-balanced, but on home runs it's too heavy.

Managers manage just enough, though some tend to overdo it.

Umpires tolerate the proper amount of backtalk, and the fans are generally more amused than irritated by arguments on the field.

Compared with other entertainment, baseball is priced right at the box-office—though ball park food may be too expensive.

The chief surprise in the survey was that the fans apparently are lukewarm to the expansion of the big leagues—51 per cent in the poll opposed, and 49 per cent favored it.